We are the deaf heads of a family of five, and have a deaf child and two hearing children. We have a Sorenson and believe that all videophones should be completely compatible with one another and with all interpreter services, and that there should be no restriction of services dependent on brand. If hearing telephones were similarly restrictive, we would end up with thousands of phone systems and not all compatible with one another or able to share services, not a great solution for hearing people. Why should deaf people be held hostage in a way that hearing people are not? Please legislate complete interoperability and complete compatibility for the sake of our three deaf family members and for all deaf people nationwide.

Thanks, Edgar and Diane Gutierrez